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NEW MOTOR SHIP LAUNCHED SATURDAY THRILLING SIGHT

Successful Launching of Second Boat
This Season From Shipyard.

Another boat was launched Saturday at the St. Helens ship yard. The launch of this vessel was laid for Capt. Wrightson but was sold to M. C. Wrightson at an early stage of the work, and was intended to be christened by him in honor of Capt. Wrightson's father, but with the change of ownership a change of name followed.

The launching was successful and the schooner slid into the water with a splash. To Mrs. Capt. Wrightson was given the honor of christening the vessel. When everything was ready, Mrs. Wrightson, with words "I christen thee June," gave the swinging ribbons that held the bottle of champagne, but the vessel had advanced so far that the bottle failed to connect. Foreman Lafontaine made a pass at it, missed and down between the skidway. Jack Lang, who was next in line, seized the bottle and smashed it over the bow of the vessel, but he thought it a great waste of good liquor.

As usual, the McCormick company furnished free transportation from the city to the yards and ample accommodations were provided for all. The launching was the main attraction, it was decidedly interesting to the outsider to see the large number of men at work on different parts of other vessels, from spars to boom. Two hundred and twenty men are now employed at the yard.

The ceremony took place in the presence of a large number of residents and many others who happened to be in the city that day. The date of the launching was not extensively advertised as was the launching of the City of Portland, consequently visitors from Portland and other cities were not in evidence.

The June is already assured of a long season, as she has been chartered to load lumber for Panama at a thousand feet, and on discharging that she will load a cargo of mahogany at Panama for New York and then ply between gulf ports and Colon.

The June is 170 feet long over all, a beam of 26 feet and depth of 12.6 feet, and is expected to carry about 650,000 feet of lumber. She will be equipped with two 100-horsepower engines of the Fairbanks type.

A sister ship is being constructed by Capt. Wrightson, and will be launched about the time the June is into commission. While we are informed, she will probably be christened "Ruby," in honor of Capt. Wrightson's daughter.

With another set of ways available shipbuilding plant will immediately begin the construction of a lumber carrier for the Brookings Lumber Co. of California.

However, the big motor ship which is to be called the S. I. Allard, which is thought would be named in honor of St. Helens, is on the ways and rapid progress is being made in her construction. It is a sister ship to the City of Portland and will have a carrying capacity of over 60,000 feet.

WEEKLY SHOOT ON HOME FIELD

The St. Helens Rod and Gun Club ended to compete with the Rainier club Sunday but as Rainier is in actual practice for the big contest with the other clubs on the 20th, was their wish to put in the day in preparation. A pressing invitation was extended to the St. Helens club to be in the big shoot, which has been accepted.

The weekly shoot occurred on the same grounds Sunday, with the following scores:

Targets, Broke	
Run Kelley	25
Opeland	25
Orshoven	25
George	50
George	25
Olson	13

SPLENDID HIGHWAY TO DUTCH CANYON

Good Road Up South Scappoose Creek an Easy Grade.

It was the pleasure of the writer to visit Dutch Canyon Sunday. There is not a more delightful section for an outing than is afforded by this mountain gorge. Nice, cool, shady nooks with pure, cool mountain water rattling down the hillside with pleasing rhythm. We were informed that this is the first season that St. Helens people have found this enticing resort, although Portland parties have been spending their Sundays there for years.

This canyon is found by turning west at the "flat iron" building on the highway beyond Scappoose, and the road leads along fine farms bearing the marks of thrift and resolution, big, fat cattle feeding quietly on the hillside, nice, comfortable homes and splendid barns. One school house is passed which is located on a commanding site with well kept premises, near the Volians place.

A great deal of road work is being done and it is somewhat rough where the bridge spans Scappoose creek. We enjoyed the day on the private premises of T. W. Grant. He thought we were rather a peaceable looking crowd, so he permitted us to pass through his premises, and by crossing a foot bridge and following a path we were right in the wild woods.

Gus Lang, the contractor, and his husky crew are adding the finishing touches to an improvement on the Otto Miller road, leading from Scappoose creek in a southwesterly direction to North Plains in Washington county.

The bridge over Scappoose creek has been raised seven feet and replanked. A cut 16 feet deep has been made on the steepest part of the hill, thus the grade which was heretofore a nightmare to travelers is reduced about one-half. The road bed is also widened to 16 feet, and as soon as the grading is finished, a coat of creek gravel will be added and will require no farther attention for some time.

Most of the work was through solid rock, which had to be blasted to a depth of from 10 to 20 feet, and which work required considerable time and also a lot of powder. Visitors to this section are considerably surprised at the wonderful change which has been made on this road which was heretofore thought impossible. The improvement was made necessary on account of the dangerous condition due to steepness and insufficient drainage.

This work was begun under the old court and is being finished by the new. Both courts are to be congratulated for their wise business policy in safeguarding the traveling public in such a thorough and substantial manner. Mr. Lang is also deserving of credit for his tireless energy and skill in overcoming the many difficulties encountered in its construction. What was formerly a place to be dreaded and shunned is now one of our finest scenic attractions and a silent lecture for the good roads cause.

Mr. Lang has an artistic eye and has a knack of imparting a touch of beauty to his work which renders it attractive to the eye and is attested by the large number of camera views taken by tourists who visit that vicinity.

We are indebted to T. W. Grant for the above facts as well as other courtesies. We hope to even up with him some time.

TO THE PUBLIC

The nicest courtesy you can show your guests is to have their visit mentioned in the Mist. The nicest courtesy you can show your friends is to let them know of your visits through a news item in the Mist. The nicest courtesy you can show the editor is to bring or send to the office a complete write-up of any news item you know. Let's have courtesy all round.

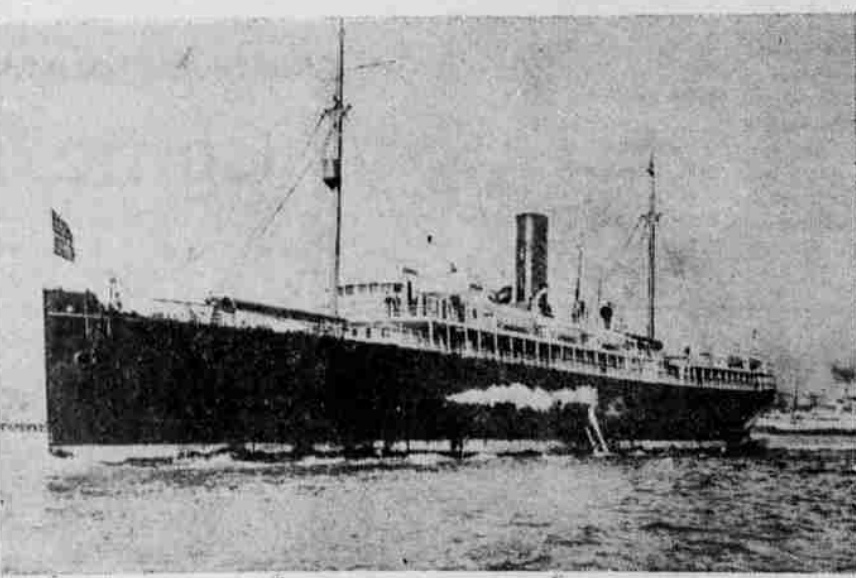
CAPTAIN RORVIK SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES MASTER OF KLAMATH

Back Broken by Falling on Timbers, He Dies at Hospital.

Capt. Charles P. Rorvik, master of the steamer Klamath, died Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, the result of injuries he sustained on Saturday morning, about 8 o'clock.

The Klamath was loading at the dock of the North Pacific Lumber Co. and Captain Rorvik was superintending the loading. The accident happened in this manner: The lumber from the mill is brought alongside the ship on a tram cart before the ship's tackles take it to the vessel. Captain Rorvik was standing alongside a pile of lumber, and as the next load came it caught on a piece of timber which projected from a lumber pile, the piece of timber, which was a 4x4, striking the captain in the back and knocking him off of the dock. He fell on a boom log between the Klamath and the dock, striking on his back. Captain Rorvik suffered a broken back and severe scalp wounds, but regained consciousness before he was taken to the hospital.

When a Mist representative called on him late Saturday evening he was conscious but in great agony. He stated that he was numb from his shoulders down, but expressed a hope for recovery. The surgeon in attendance told the Mist man there was not much hope and if Captain Rorvik did not succumb, in all probability he would be paralyzed. Mrs. Rorvik, who lives in Alameda, was



STEAMER BEAR FLOATED

Steamer Bear is now floated, turned around and headed seaward. An attempt was made Thursday evening to pull her into deep water. The Bear went ashore on Mendocino beach June 14. Five persons were drowned. She carried 210 passengers. Her value is \$1,000,000. She will be repaired in San Francisco and resume her Portland run.

BIG BLAST FIRED AT TRENHOLM QUARRY

One Blast Furnishes Sufficient Rock for Season's Run.

The big blast at the county quarry on the Trenholm-Pittsburg road, was fired Sunday afternoon at about 3 o'clock. This is the new quarry recently discovered, although after it was located it seems that many knew of this mountain of rock, this in view of the fact that a reward was offered by the county for the discovery of sufficient rock for road purposes. However, it has been found, and in unlimited quantity.

A "coyote hole" was made into the hillside to a distance of 34 feet with a "T" which was charged with 160 cans of black powder and a few boxes of dynamite. It was overcharged, but as the formation inclined to dip, it was thought a heavy charge was necessary.

It was a tremendous blast and tore off the whole side of the hill, filling the gulch and heaping it up on the opposite bank. It is estimated that fully 7,000 yards was released and sufficient for this season's run. The gulch is filled and a place is being leveled for the erection of the crusher. It is thought the crusher will be in place and ready for work some time during the latter part of the present week.

From the end of the "coyote hole" straight up it measures about 50 feet, and this was all blown off. This rock was a fortunate find for the county, as it is very accessible and a down hill pull to Trenholm, and with a helper up the hill, it is down hill the rest of the distance. The court is much pleased with the success of the blast and the progress of the work.

MUCH LUMBER SHIPPED THREE VESSELS LOAD FOR CALIFORNIA PORTS

Capt. Johnsen Takes Command of Steamer Klamath.

The steamer Fort Bragg arrived in Thursday morning and is taking on a full cargo for delivery at San Pedro. Owing to a shortage of sailors, the work of loading is progressing rather slowly and the vessel will probably sail from St. Helens Monday night.

The steamer Temple E. Dorr arrived in Wednesday night, and is completing her load of lumber for delivery at San Francisco. She will probably get away tonight.

The steamer Celilo arrived in Thursday afternoon and went to the docks of the Columbia County Lumber Company to take on 400,000 feet of lumber, completing her cargo. She will sail for southern California ports Saturday night.

On her trip from the Columbia river to San Francisco, the motor vessel City of Portland made very good time, covering the distance at the rate of 19 1/2 knots. She had fair wind and her sails aided her in making this speed. She is now on her way to Port Pirie, Australia, and should arrive at that port about September 12.

Both foreign and coastwise rates on lumber are holding up well, the latest rates quoted being \$6 per M feet from Columbia river or Puget Sound to San Pedro or San Diego. The rate to San Francisco is slightly lower than this. In the foreign trade, several charters have recently been made as late as 1918 at a rate of

WOODLAND WINS IN CLOSE GAME

By the close score of 7 to 6, Woodland defeated the St. Helens baseball club Sunday. The game was played on the Woodland grounds, and there was a large attendance. Virgil Stevens pitched for St. Helens and gave a good account of himself as a moundman, striking out 12 of the Woodlandites and issuing transportation to only one man. Rees Hall did the receiving, and lived up to his reputation as a catcher. All of the St. Helens players charge their defeat to a wrong decision of the umpire. In the eighth inning, when St. Helens was leading, two Woodland players were on the bags and two down when the batsman poled out a long foul over first base. The umpire called it a fair ball and two men scored. St. Helens was in the lead in the ninth but Woodland annexed one tally, just enough to tie the score, so the game had to go ten innings. St. Helens could do nothing in their half of this frame, but Woodland was more fortunate and one of her players knocked a long single into the tall grass in right field, where the little pellet became lost just long enough to allow the fleet footed Woodlandite to scamper home with the winning run.

The St. Helens team was composed entirely of home boys, and they played good ball. Manager Stevens has not as yet arranged for a game for the coming Sunday, but in all probability there will be a game on the Sunday following. Stevens says his policy will be to play just home boys and thinks this will be more interesting to the fans.

LIKELIHOOD OF SOME PAVEMENT

The property owners on that portion of Columbia street between St. Helens and Cowlitz streets are understood to be in favor of some kind of hard surface pavement. The "Richmondite," which is to be used on the road between Scappoose and the Multnomah county line is being given consideration and it is likely that this will be used. Another plan is proposed to improve this street, it is estimated that the street can be curbed and rolled and then a dressing of screening placed on it before a coat of oil is placed. Some argue that this would make an oil bound macadam which would serve the purpose temporarily. Work on one of these projects will be started during the coming week.

MURRAYMEAD IN PORTLAND

Harley Turner and Miss Addie Adams played in the state tennis tournament in Portland Tuesday, and played against two California players and made a most excellent showing. Murraymead was scheduled for Wednesday, but on account of rain it was postponed to Friday. A number of trophies and cups are hung up for both singles and doubles.

Harley Turner and Reuben Sten will play in the doubles and Turner and Miss Adams also in doubles. Miss Ella Hattan will play in ladies' doubles. Rutherford, Turner and Sten will play in singles.

This promises to be a very interesting play and it is to be hoped that St. Helens will make the usual good showing.

ROAD TO BE REPAIRED

Screenings are being placed along Willamette street and the county road leading from St. Helens to the depot. The evident object is to make temporary repairs to this section of the road. The repairs will be hailed with delight by those who have to travel the road, but the Mist thinks in view of the fact that thousands of dollars have been spent during the past few years on this same stretch of road and nothing permanent has yet been accomplished, that it would be far wiser to save the money now about to be spent towards making a hard surface pavement, something that we will have to come to before many years. In the meantime, the repairs to be made will make travel a little more comfortable.

SPECIAL MEETING

The water board met in special session Monday, August 7. The following were present: John G. Pringle, president; L. E. Allen and J. W. Akin, commissioners. The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with. After some discussion it was decided that the water board buy \$500 of Road District No. 2 warrants, and water warrants were issued to take up road warrants as follows:

L. E. Allen	\$ 79.50
John Pringle	85.50
Geo. Pringle	57.50
J. W. Akin	100.80
E. E. Quick	19.80
C. E. Lake	51.50
Lester Lake	57.50

Total \$452.10

The water board, in addition to the above road warrants, now holds some \$6,000 of school warrants.

The dates of Astoria's big annual water carnival event have been set for September 1 to 4. This year the regatta enters on its twenty-first anniversary. In addition to the usual races and aquatic and land sports, a splendid military spectacle, "The Battle of San Juan Hill," participated in by the regulars of the United States army will be put on. It is also the intention of the management to make it a home-coming week.

to his memory and extend to the bereaved ones the heartfelt sympathy which is expressed by everyone who knew the captain.

notified and arrived at her husband's bedside Sunday night, and was present when he passed away.

Captain Rorvik was born in Aalesund, Norway, 48 years ago, coming to America at the age of 17 and locating in San Francisco. He started his sea career immediately and was rapidly advanced through the various stages of promotion until he was made master. For several years he was master of the steamer Vosburg, plying between Portland and Nehalem. Later he went with the Chas. R. McCormick & Co. and has been master of several of their steamers. They regarded him as a trustworthy and safe master and keenly feel his loss. Captain Rorvik is survived by his wife and one brother. The body is being held in a Portland undertaking establishment awaiting the arrival of that brother from Seattle.

St. Helens people were much grieved to learn of the captain's accident and death, as he had been coming here for the past several years and was well and favorably known. He was here only last Monday and left with his vessel for Portland early Tuesday morning. Just two weeks ago today Captain Rorvik was in St. Helens and aided in the recovery and burial of his former chief mate, Carl Nygren, who was drowned in Willamette slough July 20.

Captain Rorvik was a 32nd degree Mason, affiliating with a San Diego lodge. He has also visited the local Masonic lodge and they and his other St. Helens friends will drop a tear